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PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 CFR § 1.48(c)(1)

The correct inventors were named in the non-provisional patent application referenced above. A preliminary amendment was filed on January 28, 2002 amending the claims to include claims 22-28 which are supported by the original disclosure. The inventive contribution of Kazuhiro Yoshitake is directed to the subject matter of these claims. Accordingly, Applicants petition the Commissioner to amend the application to add Kazuhiro Yoshitake to the list of the original co-inventors (Toshimitsu Taniguchi, Takashi Arai, and Masashige Aoyama)..

In support of this petition as required by 37 CFR § 1.48(c)(1), (2), (3), and (4), also enclosed are (2) a Declaration of Kazuhiro Yoshitake that recites that correction of inventorship occurred without deceptive intention, (3) Declaration (and power of Attorney) by each of the actual inventors as required by 37 CFR § 1.63, (4) a check for \$130 to cover the fee required by 37 CFR § 1.17(i), and (5) a written consent by Assignee.

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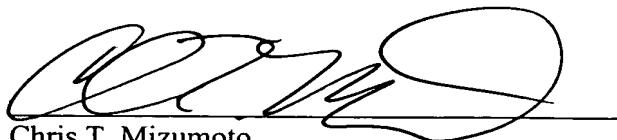
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